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SUBJECT: SECOND REVIEW OF COLOMBIAN FMD PROGRAM

RE BOGOTA 4900

1. US COLOMBIAN SENIOR REVIEW GROUP (SRG) COMPLETED SECOND REVIEW OF JOINT FMD PROGRAM, WITH TIMELY DISCUSSIONS RESULTING IN SEVERAL IMPORTANT RECOMMENDATIONS. COPY OF SRG REPORT WILL BE AIR POUCHED TO WASHINGTON.

2) THE SRG NOTED THAT ADVANCES HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE FMD PROGRAM SINCE MAY. NO KNOWN OUTBREAKS OF FMD HAVE OCCURRED IN AREA 1 AND CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN HIRING AND TRAINING FIELD PERSONNEL. A CENSUS OF SETTLERS IN THE PROJECTED LOS KITIOS PARK AREA HAS BEEN FINISHED. RELOCATION COMMITMENTS HAVE BEEN OBTAINED FROM THE SETTLERS, AND PLANS COMPLETED FOR THE CONTROL POINTS TO GOVERN ACCESS TO THE PARK. THE DANGER OF FMD SPREADING INTO PANAMA IS BELIEVED TO HAVE DIMINISHED SOMEWHAT SINCE THE MAY REVIEW.

3) COLOMBIAN PERFORMANCE HAS BEEN DISAPPOINTING IN SEVERAL RESPECTS: THE SURVEY OF LIVESTOCK IN AREA 1 HAS NOT BEEN FINISHED; CONTROL POSTS ARE NOT YET BUILT IN THE PARK AREA AND CONTROL OVER MIGRATION IS NOT COMPLETE. THE PRESIDENTIAL

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PROCLMATION ESTABLISHING THE LOS KATIOS PARK HAS NOT BEEN

SIGNED (INDERENA BELIEVES PRESIDENTIAL DECREE WILL BE FORTHCOMING BUT IS NOT NECESSARY FOR IT TO COMMENCE OPERATIONS IN PARK AREA).

IN ADDITION, NEW GOC GOVERNMENT-WIDE BUDGET RESTRAINTS ARE PINCHING BOTH ICA AND INDERENA AND MAY ADVERSELY AFFECT THEIR FUTURE PERFORMANCE. THE NEW GOC HAS NOT YET FOCUSED ON THE FMD PROGRAM, AND, WHILE ICA AND INDERENA APPEAR TO BE VERY ENTHUSIASTIC, IT IS TOO EARLY TO ASSESS THE DEGREE OF SUPPORT THE GOC WILL GIVE.

4) CONSIDERABLE TECHNICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DIFFICULTIES REMAIN WITH ICA AND BETWEEN ICA AND THE USDA. URGENT ATTENTION TO THESE PROBLEMS ON BOTH SIDES IS REQUIRED BEFORE THE END OF 1974. BOTH BODIES HAVE AGREED TO PURSUE RESOLUTIONS TO THESE PROBLEMS.

5) THE CONSENSUS REACHED BY THE US PARTICIPANTS IS THAT REAL PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE, BUT THAT SEVERAL OUTSTANDING PROGRAM GOALS HAVE NOT BEEN ACCOMPLISHED AS WAS HOPED AND SEVERAL NEW PROBLEMS HAVE CROPPED UP.

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